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ASD(FM&P)

SUBJECT: Military Awards Program

- References:
- (a) DoD Directive 1005.3, "Decorations from Foreign Governments," June 7, 1983 (hereby canceled)
  - (b) DoD Directive 1005.12, "Armed Forces Decorations for Foreign Military Personnel," May 9, 1979 (hereby canceled)
  - (c) DoD Directive 1348.2, "Gold Star Lapel Button," August 22, 1966 (hereby canceled)
  - (d) DoD Directive 1348.6, "Wearing of the National Security Medal and other Non-Military United States Decorations by Members of the Armed Forces," April 21, 1953 (hereby canceled)
  - (e) through (v), see enclosure 1

## 1. PURPOSE

This Instruction:

- 1.1. Replaces references (a) through (u); and
- 1.2. Authorizes the publication of DoD 1348.33-M, "Military Decorations and Awards," pursuant to DoD Directive 5025.1 (reference (v)).

## 2. APPLICABILITY

This Instruction applies to the Office of the Secretary of Defense (OSD) and its field activities, the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff (OJCS), the Military Departments, and the Defense Agencies.

### 3. POLICY

It is DoD policy to provide, through the DoD Military Awards Program, tangible recognition for acts of valor, exceptional service or achievement, and acts of heroism not involving actual combat. Such recognition fosters morale, incentive and esprit de corps.

### 4. RESPONSIBILITIES


4.1. The Assistant Secretary of Defense (Force Management and Personnel) (ASD(FM&P)) shall develop, publish and maintain a single DoD manual that shall provide the policies and procedures for the following:

- 4.1.1. Awarding of Defense decorations and Service awards.
- 4.1.2. Acceptance of U.S. nonmilitary decorations.
- 4.1.3. Acceptance of foreign decorations by U.S. Service members.
- 4.1.4. Awarding of U.S. decorations to foreign military personnel.
- 4.1.5. Office of the Secretary of Defense Identification badge.

4.2. The Secretaries of the Military Departments shall regulate under applicable statutes and executive orders the military service awards within their Departments.

5. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Instruction is effective immediately.

  
Assistant Secretary of Defense  
(Force Management and Personnel)

Enclosures - 1

E1. References, continued

## E1. ENCLOSURE 1

- (e) DoD Directive 1348.7, "National Defense Service Medal," April 1, 1966 (hereby canceled)
- (f) DoD Instruction 1348.9, "Antarctica Service Medal," March 2, 1973 (hereby canceled)
- (g) DoD Directive 1348.10, "United Nations Medal and Service Ribbon, Acceptance by Military Personnel," March 11, 1964 (hereby canceled)
- (h) DoD Instruction 1348.11, "Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal," August 31, 1976 (hereby canceled)
- (i) DoD Directive 1348.13, "Office of the Secretary of Defense Identification Badge," September 24, 1976 (hereby canceled)
- (j) DoD Directive 1348.14, "Joint Service Commendation Medal," February 7, 1977 (hereby canceled)
- (k) DoD Instruction 1348.15, "Vietnam Service Medal," January 4, 1971 (hereby canceled)
- (l) DoD Directive 1348.16, "Foreign Awards to U.S. Military Personnel for Service in Vietnam," March 26, 1974 (hereby canceled)
- (m) DoD Instruction 1348.17, "Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal with Device [1960- ]," January 31, 1974 (hereby canceled)
- (n) DoD Directive 1348.18, "Processing Recommendations for the Award of the Medal of Honor," November 1, 1966 (hereby canceled)
- (o) DoD Directive 1348.20, "Service Flag and Lapel Button," December 1, 1967 (hereby canceled)
- (p) DoD Directive 1348.23, "Defense Distinguished Service Medal," December 6, 1982 (hereby canceled)
- (q) DoD Directive 1348.24, "Defense Superior Service Medal," December 6, 1982 (hereby canceled)
- (r) DoD Directive 1348.25, "Humanitarian Service Medal," August 11, 1981 (hereby canceled)
- (s) DoD Directive 1348.26, "Defense Meritorious Service Medal," February 16, 1978 (hereby canceled)
- (t) DoD Directive 1348.27, "Joint Meritorious Unit Award," July 22, 1982 (hereby canceled)
- (u) DoD Directive 1348.28, "Joint Service Achievement Medal," March 29, 1984 (hereby canceled)
- (v) [DoD Directive 5025.1](#), "Department of Defense Directives System," October 16, 1980